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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Joseph R. BYRUM

Appln. No.: 09/421,106

Filed: October 15, 1999

For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other
Molecules Associated with Plants



Art Unit: 1649

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 04983.0119.US01/
38-21(15598)B

Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted dated January 6, 2000, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date Granted;
2. Original Declaration (3 pages), executed by the inventor;
3. Howrey & Simon Check No. 324542 in the amount of \$968.00 cover:

\$ 760.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
\$ 78.00 Fee for excess claim (37 C.F.R. § 1.16); and
\$ 130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16); and

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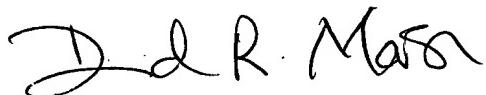
It is noted that the Filing Receipt dated January 6, 2000, does not include the inventor's residence. It is recognized that a new Filing Receipt will be issued upon receipt of the executed Declaration, and it is respectfully requested that the inventor's residence be indicated correctly in the new Filing Receipt.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. If extensions of time under 37

C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: March 6, 2000

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A handwritten signature in cursive ink that reads "David R. Marsh".

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Enclosures



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Filing Date Granted

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a
 small entity (statement filed) non-small entity is \$ 968.00

1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

missing.
 insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ 760.00 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$ _____ for _____ total claims over 20.

\$ 78.00 for 1 independent claims over 3.

\$ _____ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

3. The oath or declaration:

is missing or unsigned.
 does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

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